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LATE ITEM

Congo

Early this morning troops from kidnapped ex-premier Tshombé's home province of Katanga mutinied at Bukavu on the Congo's eastern border. The picture is not yet clear, but the revolt appears to be in support of Tshombé who has been held in Algeria since his airplane was hijacked Saturday.

If this mutiny is not put down quickly, trouble could break out in other parts of the Congo and seriously threaten President Mobutu's regime. The last remaining unit of white mercenaries appears to have sided with the Katangese mutineers.

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DAILY BRIEF
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1. Soviet Union

The strain of the past few weeks is showing on Soviet leaders and there are some signs of dissension in the ranks.

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2. Cuba

The Cubans appear to be getting a new defensive missile system, this one for use against low-flying aircraft.

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The SA-3 is designed for use against aircraft flying too low for the SA-2 missile system. This will be the first time the SA-3 has been deployed outside the Soviet Union.

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3. Middle East

Israel claims its antiaircraft gunners bagged an Egyptian jet fighter over the Sinai Peninsula yesterday. The Egyptians have denied it. No one seems disposed to use the incident as an excuse for renewed fighting.

4. Oil

Kuwait apparently has authorized the loading of one US and several British tankers beginning 8 July.

The Saudi Arabians, using broadcasts to point out how much revenue is being lost, are conditioning the Saudi public for a resumption of sales to the US and Britain. So far, the Saudis estimate their demonstration of loyalty to the Arab cause has cost them more than \$30 million.

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